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PolOff delivered reftel points on February 22 to Veronika Lombardini, Director of the Human Rights Department of the Slovak MFA, and reiterated U.S. appreciation for Slovakia's past no votes on Goldstone-related resolutions. Lombardini also thanked us for our continued engagement on this issue, and said they would study our points in detail. Lombardini said that, in principle, Slovakia's stance has not changed. However, Lombardini said that the EU was still trying to reach consensus on the Palestinian draft resolution before the February 26 vote and she could not predict what the end result of those negotiations would be.

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